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William D. Cannon Art Gallery

Great events coming up!

Our Three-Part-Art gallery education program will connect to these two upcoming exhibitions in 2011. Mark your calendars! You won't want to miss out.

2011 Juried Biennial Exhibition

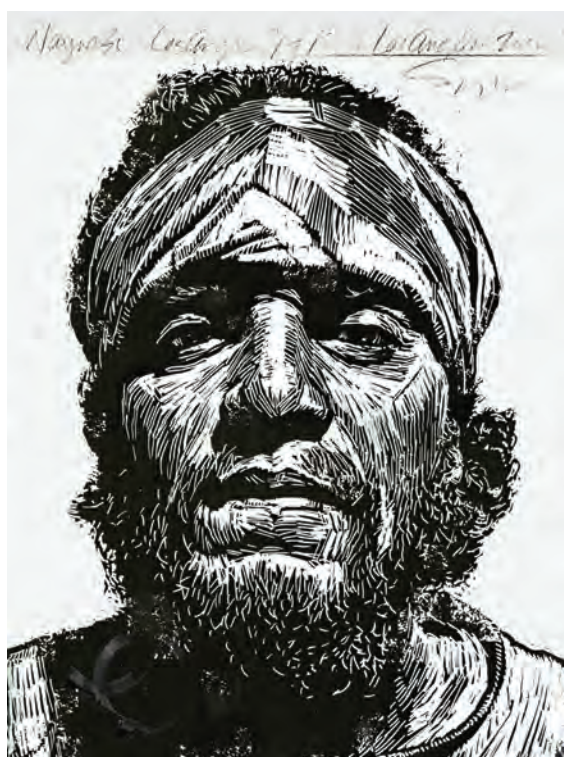
Jan. 30 – March 18, 2011

Over the past ten years, the Cannon Art Gallery Juried Exhibitions have become an important showcase for the work of both emerging and mid-career artists in San Diego County. This year's jurors are Peter Frank, Senior Curator at the Riverside Art Museum and art critic for the Huffington Post, and Larry Baza, Co-Director of Noel-Baza Fine Art in San Diego. Open to artists who live, work or have a studio in San Diego County.

Face to Face: The Changing Face of Portraiture

April 3 – May 27, 2011

This exhibition examines how fifteen contemporary artists address portraiture and explore the nuances of face, figure and personality in a variety of styles and approaches. Whether depicting a friend, stranger, loved one or self-portrait, each work communicates a visual description about the life of the original subject. Artists include Shay Bredimus, Melissa Cooke, Marianela de la Hoz, Jorg Dubin, Perin Mahler, America Martin, Mike Stilkey, Linda Saphan, and Neil Shigley.



Far Left
Jorg Dubin, *The Artist's Father at 94*, 2008

Left
Neil Shigley, *Wayne 35*, 2010

Both images from *Face to Face*

What's going on...

CARLSBAD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Hope Elementary School

Hope is proud to continue its commitment to the visual and performing arts by providing instruction in Music K-5, Art K-5 and Dance K-3. Classes are held weekly by a team of specialists including certificated teachers. The music program is taught by Sharon Evans, visual art by Amy Miller and dance by Pam Laird.

In **Dance**, students K-3 will be dancing to holiday songs celebrating the Jewish, Christian and Kwanza holidays. Second and third grades will also start square dancing and social dancing in preparation for Parent Observation Day.

The **Music** program opened the year with 6 weeks of African drumming and a study of related instruments. This is the sixth year Hope has had the privilege of using a rotating set of drums from the Museum of Making Music. You would enjoy hearing them count in Swahili or play multi-layered rhythms simultaneously. The fifth grade artist-in-residence program features the local talents of Lisa Harper, woodwinds, Jonathan Ingber, brass, Marisol Padilla, strings and Judi Stapleton, drama. Joy-

ful Bells, the fifth grade select handbell group, will be performing holiday concerts throughout the community and the kindergarten and first grade classes will perform their annual holiday programs.

The **Visual Arts** program at Hope focused on introducing students to the creative process and inspiring their artistic abilities. Artist-in-Residence and art teacher, Mrs. Amy Miller read *The Dot*, by Peter H. Reynolds, in which an art teacher inspires Vashti, a young girl who feels like she can't draw, to create many different types of colorful dots. Vashti in turn encourages another little boy to draw lines in his own artful manner. After some discussion, each student created a personal dot, which was combined with the other dots from all of the students at Hope Elementary, creating a winding, colorful path around the classroom, reminding each child of the artist s/he has inside.

Color, lines, patterns and tints and shades are the some of the concepts being taught in the art classroom. The fifth graders are creating their own soft sculpture and were so excited – they have asked to do it again! The fourth graders are painting a monochromatic city, while first graders are creating an art piece in the style of Wassily Kandinsky.

Funds to support the art program come from the PTA and grants. The cost of supplies is supported each year by the Friends of Hope School Foundation. In past years the visual art program has done school-wide projects for campus beautification.

Jefferson Elementary School

Arts continue to be a very important part of education at Jefferson. All students receive weekly visual art and music lessons. Music lessons include singing, dancing, listening and playing a wide variety of instruments, and building musical literacy foundations. Students also have opportunities to participate in band, guitar, violin, chorus and drill team.

Jefferson Elementary's Drill Team is beginning its thirteenth season, begun in 1997 by Mrs. Norma Rathgaber who generously volunteered her time to create the team as a means for students to build school spirit and dance skills. The team has grown in popularity over the years and now averages around 50 to 60 girls and boys from the third, fourth, and fifth grades. Mrs. Laurel Ferreira, fifth grade teacher, has been leading the team for the last seven years. "I really enjoyed many years of dance class and performance opportunities as a child and it is fantastic to make it easily accessible to students who might not otherwise have the opportunity."

The team performs several times a year. Their first appearance was held at the Lancer Day Parade on Oct. 22. Twenty of the fifth grade students performed a flag routine while singing a song about respect and pride for Jefferson Elementary. The whole team has started 3 months of practice for their biggest performance at Rock-n-Roll Night in February, the team's fundraiser event. They host a 2 hour dance that features the drill team and encourages the audience to follow along with the dance steps or just enjoy the music with free form music. It is a great family event. Every year the team also performs in the Jefferson Talent Show and the Multicultural Festival.



Far top left: Hope students working on painting their tints and shades. Far lower left: Jefferson third grader playing the folk song *Old Joe Clark* on the Appalachian Dulcimer. Left: Kelly students having fun creating music on their xylophones. Above: Montessori students creating the whale mosaic mural at 2010 ArtSplash.

Kelly Elementary School

The arts are a vital part of our Kelly Elementary curriculum. Thanks to Kelly's awesome PTA, first and second graders have dance each week with Pam Laird. She gets them hopping, dancing and moving to historical and multicultural dances as well as grade appropriate songs. Andrea Team, visual art teacher at Kelly, teaches weekly classes to kindergarten through fifth grade. The next set of visual arts lessons will include working on Eric Carle collages, exploring mixing colors, followed by shading using chalk pastels. Fifth graders will explore self-portraits and learn the technical proportions of the face.

Laura Donovan is the Carlsbad Educational Foundation (CEF) funded music teacher at Kelly. November through January music sessions will integrate state standards for Orff instruments, as kindergarten through fifth grade students explore the glockenspiels, xylophones and metallophones, while singing and learning solfege hand signs.

The arts are an integral part of the educational experiences at Kelly Elementary School. These three teachers help integrate technical aspects of the arts with the fun part of learning! We would like to thank the Kelly School PTA and the Carlsbad Educational Foundation for funding these wonderful programs and keeping the arts alive at Kelly.

Pacific Rim Elementary School

This spring, fifth grade students will work on the Rainbow Fish Mosaic Legacy Project, creating a mosaic representing the core character concepts of sharing and friendship in Marcus Pfister's book *Rainbow Fish*. Assisted by their lower elementary grade "little buddies," they will work with a local artist to design and install a 36-square-foot "Rainbow Fish" mosaic to be located outside the school library. The project will serve as a legacy for those students graduating to middle school as well as a reminder to their younger counterparts of the important character concepts that are at the heart of Pacific Rim's core values.

The project begins with fifth graders reading *Rainbow Fish* to their "little buddies" and using the story to discuss examples

of behaviors and attitudes that facilitate a positive community/school atmosphere. The introduction to these values by their peers enhances their appreciation for these concepts. Fifth graders will then discuss the book during art class, examining its artwork for the elements and principles of their mosaic, conceptualizing their artistic creation and establishing their design. Visiting artist Trent Tudor will help the children develop a shared vision of the project while working with small groups and individual students to formulate an approach with the materials available. Mr. Tudor will also create some custom tiles representing the character traits in the story. Finally, the graduating fifth grade class will create and install the mosaic over a period of several weeks.

This spring second and fourth grade students will work in conjunction with the California South District Optimists Club on the "ConKerr Cancer Pillowcases" project, creating and donating decorated pillowcases for critically ill children in San Diego hospitals, The Ronald McDonald House and Pediatric Hospices. One hundred students will make bright, creatively designed pillowcases for these young children to have as a reminder that they are thought of and cared for.

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Montessori Arts and Sciences

The school year has commenced with many arts opportunities at Montessori Arts and Sciences. All students are participating in Orff music classes and in movement, voice, percussion and music theory under the direction of Tiffany Spencer. The theme of the course is American Heritage and a culmination program will be held on Dec. 15. Music about the beauty of the ocean, mountains and natural resources will coordinate with the unveiling of the latest mosaic wall, entitled *Tribute to the Pacific Marine Habitat of California*.

Parents, community members and students have been involved with research and creation of this final section of the wall that surrounds the Sports Field. Everyone enjoyed ArtSplash where the gray whale, kelp forest, ocean floor, waves and sky were assembled by school members and

the public. Funding support was provided by the City of Carlsbad's Cultural Arts Office Community Arts Grant program.

The artists Dufy, Mondrian, Matisse, Eric Carle have been used to inspire visual art classes that have been interrelated to mathematics, studies of the sun giving energy to life on Earth, ranunculus planting, the fall season and ocean animals.

In November, the entire school will attend the San Diego Junior Theater performance of *Willy Wonka*, enjoying a musical show that connects with the Roald Dahl books the students have been reading.

St. Patrick's Parish

"Music Chairs" St. Patrick Catholic School music teacher, Mrs. Gail Beall received a gift of new music chairs for her students as a result of the school's Fund-An-Item opportunity at the Annual Auction last Spring. Mrs. Beall and the students wish to thank everyone who supported the Auction. The music room and these new chairs are not only used by the students for music class but also by the school choir. Everyone is excited to be preparing for another stellar Christmas Pageant, which will take place on Dec. 16 and 17 in the church.

"Art Mania" The 5th annual art exhibit, Art Mania, was held last May and featured over 500 pieces of art from the students at St. Patrick Catholic School. New works included the Third Grade Peace Project and the Fifth Grade Windows. The windows lesson was presented during the San Diego Museum of Art's Educator's Art Fair, which our teachers attend. Teachers will again be attending the Nov. 13 event in search of new ideas for this year's Young Art Theme, Making Multiples, with the goal of having student pieces selected for the Museum of Art's annual Young Art Exhibition.

"Watercolor Workshop" Artist and teacher, Mrs. Schmidt, all the way from New Jersey, shared her knowledge of watercolor techniques at a free Spring Workshop with the St. Patrick Catholic School teachers. Those teachers are now transferring watercolor techniques to their students; for example, the second graders are painting scarecrows this fall while they also learn about the color wheel. The watercolor brushes and paints were purchased using donations received at the annual art exhibit and from "a friend of the arts". We wish to thank these donors for supporting the visual arts.

From the **Field**

Bringing It Home to Carlsbad

Our Arts-in-Education Advisory Committee continues to be your advocate for keeping and improving arts in our Carlsbad schools. We meet on a regular basis, sharing information on advocacy, grant and program opportunities. Our community committee will continue to gather information and seek to assist in any way with these advocacy efforts.

Special thanks to our October presenters; Susan Hall, the founder and director of RhythmWorx and Kristina Rosenberg, Education Director from the Timken Museum of Art.

For more info about...

Education Programs or Our Committee Meetings
760-434-2901 or e-mail tonya.rodzach@carlsbadca.gov

Gallery Exhibition & Programs
760-602-2021

Other Programs & Events
Offered by the Cultural Arts Office
visit our website at www.carlsbadca.gov/arts

Mark your calendar!

Carlsbad Arts-in-Education
Advisory Committee schedule

Thursday, January 20, 2011

Thursday, March 17, 2011

3:30 to 5 p.m.
Gowland Meeting Room
Carlsbad City Library complex
1775 Dove Lane, Carlsbad, 92011

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St. Patrick's students created beautiful watercolors using their new painting skills.